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THE South-Carolina Gazette.

Containing the freſheſt Advices Foreign and Domeſtick.

FROM SATURDAY *September* 12, to SATURDAY *September* 19, 1741.

An Abſtract of a Britiſh *Act for naturalizing ſuch Foreign Proteſtants, and others therein mentioned, as are ſettled, or ſhall ſettle in any of His Majeſty's Colonies in* America. Paſſed in the *Thirteenth* Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign.

ENACTED, That after the firſt Day of *June*, 1740, all Foreigners who have inhabited, or ſhall inhabit for Seven Years or more, in any of our *American* Colonies, and ſhall not be abſent from ſome of the ſaid Colonies more than two Months at any one Time during the ſaid Seven Years; and ſhall take and ſubſcribe the Oaths, and make, repeat, and ſubſcribe the Declaration appointed by the Act 1 *Geo.* I. or being a *Quaker*, ſhall make and ſubſcribe the Declaration of Fidelity, and take and affirm the Effect of the Abjuration Oath, appointed by the Act 8 *Geo.* I. and alſo make and ſubſcribe the Profeſſion of his Chriſtian Belief, appointed by the Act 1 *W. & M.* before any one of the Judges of the Colony wherein ſuch Perſons have inhabited, or ſhall inhabit, ſhall be adjudged to be his Majeſty's natural born Subjects of this Kingdom, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if they had been really born in the ſame; that the ſaid Judges ſhall give the ſaid Oaths, *&c.* in open Court, between the Hours of Nine and Twelve in the Forenoon; which ſhall be entered in the ſame Court, and alſo in the Secretary's Office of the Colony wherein ſuch Perſon ſhall ſo inhabit, for doing whereof, Two Shillings ſhall be paid at ſuch reſpective Place, under Penalty of 10 *l.* for every Neglect: Every Secretary is alſo required to make ſuch Entry in a Book to be kept for that Purpoſe in his Office, on Notification by a Judge of the ſame Colony, under the like Penalty.

All Perſons duely qualifying themſelves to be naturalized, (except *Quakers* or *Jews*) ſhall receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in ſome Proteſtant Congregation in *Great-Britain*, or in ſome of the *American* Colonies, within three Months next before their taking and ſubſcribing the ſaid Oaths, and Declaration; and ſhall, at the Time of taking and ſubſcribing the ſaid Oaths, *&c.* produce a Certificate ſigned by the Perſon adminiſtering the ſaid Sacrament, and atteſted by Two credible Witneſſes, whereof an Entry ſhall be made in the Secretary's Office of the Colony wherein they ſhall inhabit, as alſo in the Court where the ſaid Oaths ſhall be taken, without Fee or Reward.

Whenever a *Jew* preſents himſelf to take the Oaths purſuant to this Act, the Words (upon the true Faith of a Chriſtian) ſhall be omitted in adminiſtring the ſame; and the taking the ſaid Oaths without thoſe Words, as the *Jews* were permitted to take the Oath of Abjuration by the Act 10 *Geo.* I. ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Taking according to this Act.

A Certificate under the Seal of any of the ſaid Colonies, of any Perſons having conformed in the ſeveral Particulars required by this Act, ſhall be deemed a ſufficient Teſtimony thereof, and of his being a natural born Subject of *Great Britain*, to all Intents and Purpoſes, in every Court within the King's Dominions.

The Secretary of every reſpective Colony ſhall ſend over to the Commiſſioners of Trade at *London*, at the End of every Year, to be computed from 1 *June*, 1740, exact Liſts of the Names of all Perſons who have that Year entitled themſelves to the Benefit of this Act, under Penalty of 50 *l.* for every Neglect: All which Liſts ſhall be entered in a Book by the ſaid Commiſſioners, to be kept at the Office for publick View.

Provided, That no ſuch naturalized Perſon ſhall be of the Privy Council, or a Member of either Houſe of Parliament, or capable of enjoying any Place of Truſt in *Great-Britain* or *Ireland*, Civil or Military; or of taking any Grant from the Crown, to himſelf, or any in any Truſt for him, or for Lands, *&c.* in *Great Britain* or *Ireland*.

LONDON, June 11.

This Week three Meſſengers have been diſpatch'd from the Admiralty to Chatham, Sheerneſs, &c. to haſten out the Men of War now ready.

Which Ships are order'd to ſail to Spithead, and 'tis ſaid fifteen are to ſail under Commodore Brown to reinforce Admiral Haddock.

And fourteen are to ſail as faſt as poſſible under Admiral Balchen for the Baltick.

June 12. Capt. Ambroſe, Commander of his Majeſty's Ship the Rupert, arriv'd at Plymouth the 9th Inſtant, with a Spaniſh Privateer of St Sebaſtian which he took on the 31ſt of May, nam'd the Biſcaya, of ten Carriage and two Swivel Guns, with 119 Men on board, her Complement being 140, but the Priſoners wou'd not tell how many were kill'd in the Chaſe. The Captain and moſt of the Crew are French, and both Lieutenants Dutchmen, there not being above fifty Spaniards in the whole. This is the Privateer that took the Ship from Carolina, in which Col. Brathwaite was murder'd, in cool Blood, after the Action was over; and it is ſaid the French Officer who kill'd him is among the Priſoners. The Crew are a Parcel of deſperate rugged Fellows, and have done more Miſchief to our Trade than any Privateer that has been fitted out from St. Sebaſtian's.

June 13. The Chicheſter, bound for Lizbon from Portſmouth, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer, and carried into Vigo.

Yeſterday came Advice, that the Jenny, ——, bound from Topſham for Oporto, was taken by a Spaniſh Privateer, and carried into Vigo.

June 14. Two Spaniſh Privateers of great Force are cruizing off Guernzey and Jerſey.

June 15. His Majeſty's Ship Rupert, in return from her Cruiſe, met with the famous St. Sebaſtian's Privateer of 36 Guns, whoſe Captain's Service of Plate 'tis ſaid is worth 1500 *l.* Sterling, and gave her Chaſe for ſix Hours, but Capt. Ambroſe perceiving there was no Probability of coming up with her, was obliged to deſiſt.

CHARLES-TOWN, September 19.

Last Thursday at a General Convention of the right worthy and amicable Order of UBIQUARIANS, being their Yearly Festival, several Gentlemen of the first Distinction in this Province were elected into the highest Offices, at the House of Mr. *Jacob Woolford* on the Bay; after which they proceeded in a very decent and regular Manner to Dinner, at the Council-Chamber, where an elegant Entertainment was provided; most of the Company clos'd the Evening in an agreeable Manner with several loyal Healths, and the whole was conducted with the greatest Chearfulness, Order and Decency.

By Capt *Bolton* from *New-York*, we hear, that Capt. *Rous* having sprung a Leak, was put in there: That he had chas'd a *Spanish* Privateer with several Prizes, but could not come up with them; and that he had lost the Sloop he took near this Place, and fear'd she was one of the Prizes in Company with the aforesaid Privateer.

We hear, that the Ship which was drove on Shore off *Santee River* last Week, was bound from *Winyaw* for *London*, and is since drove to Pieces, and her Cargo (of Rice) entirely lost.

We hear also, that Capt *Fanshaw* has in his last Cruise, met with a Wreck, but the Wind blowing excessive hard, and a mountainous Sea he could not discover what she was (she having no Masts standing)

From *Santee*, we hear, that the River has overflow'd to such a Degree, that great part of the Rice is near *Ten* Feet under Water.

By a Letter from *North Carolina*, dated the 15th of *August* last, we hear, that the two Vessels fitted out (the beginning of *July*) to go in quest of the *Spanish* Privateers which infested their Coast, had not been heard of since they sail'd; one of them is a large Ship with 16 Carriage and 8 Swivel Guns, commanded by Capt. *George Walker*; the other a small Schooner with 16 Hands, commanded by Capt. *Daniel Dunbibin*: That notwithstanding the great Floods which have happened up the North West, there was a fine Appearance of a good Crop of Corn: That *Samuel Woodward*, Esq; Collector of that Place, lately died there, and that 'twas remarkable, Four Collectors have died there in less than *Seven* Years.

Another Letter from *North-Carolina*, dated the 24th of *August*, says, that they have had great Rains since their last, which are like to do great Damages up the North-West: — That Lieutenant *McCulloch* was arrived there from *Jamaica*, who left that Island (since the Siege of *Carthagena*) with Col. *Gooch* Governor of *Virginia*; he was present at the Siege, and confirm'd every Thing we had in this Paper, except that of Don *Blas*'s Ship, which he said they indeed fortified, but were oblig'd to slip her Cable without doing any Execution against the Town, and that the Land Forces had no Notice of the Siege being raised till the Day they decamp'd and came off, that no Enemies appeared on the Land Side, nor were they under any Apprehensions of Danger that Way, and that he did believe they might have taken it by a longer Siege.

Custom-House, Charlestown, Entred Inwards.

Snow Anne, John Bolton from New-York.

Entred Outwards.

Sloop Charming Sally, —— —— for Topsham.

Cleared for Departure. None.

Exported from this Place since Nov. 1. 1740. Rice 79461 Barrels, and 2107 Baggs. Pitch 11633 Barrels. Tarr 3731 Barrels. Turpentine 1398 Barrels.

PRICE of the following Goods, of the Produce of this Province, viz.

Rice 50 *s. per C.*	Staves 15 *l.* per 1000.
Pitch 32 *s.* 6 *d. per Barrel.*	Indian Corn 25 *s. per Bush.*
Tarr 45 *s.*	Indian Pease 20 *s.*
Turpentine 20 *s.*	Potatoes 12 *sh.*
Skins 16 *s.* 6 *d. per lb.*	

Of the Produce of Foreign Parts.

Europ Flour 6 *l. per C.*	*Barbad.* Rum 20 *s. per Hhd.*
Philadelphia Flour 5 *l.* 10 *s.*	*St. Kitts* —— 17 *s.* 6 *d.*
Biscuit Milk 4 *l. Qu. Cask.*	Melasses 20 *s.*
—— White 3 *l.* 10 *s.*	Salt fine 15 *s. per Bushel.*
—— Middling 8 *l. per C.*	—— coarse 12 *s.* 6 *d.*
—— Ship 7 *l.*	*Madeira* Wine, 90 *to* 100 *l.*
—— Brown 7 *l.*	*per Pipe.*

Advertisements.

WHEREAS at a General Meeting of Messrs. Anthony Mathewes *& Comp on Wednesday the 9th Instant, a Call was made by the Cashier and three of the Managers of the said Company, pursuant to their Articles of Co-partnership, for every Member of the said Company to pay in to the said Cashier one fourth part of the Sums they were respectively interested and engaged in the said Co-partnership: And whereas some of the said Members have neglected to answer the said Call by paying in their respective Proportions as aforesaid, this is to give Notice to all such Persons that the following is an Extract from one of their Articles, by which they will perceive the Loss they are like to sustain by such their Neglect, in order that for the future they may be more punctual in Case of any future Calls.*

'We do hereby oblige ourselves and our respective 'Heirs, Executors and Administrators, that on Calls by 'the said Cashier and any two of the said Committee, to 'pay to the said Cashier and Committee all such Sums of 'Money, in the lawful Paper Bills of Credit of this Pro'vince, as shall be our respective proportionable Parts, 'according to our respective Interests in the said Co-part'nership. And that in case our Refusal or Neglect, by 'the Space of three Days to pay the same; every such 'Person so neglecting or refusing, shall (besides his re'maining liable to pay the same) be further subject and 'forfeit and lose all his and their respective Shares and 'Interest in the said Co partnership.'

September 18, 1741. *By Order of the Directors.*

James Osmond, Cashier.

JUST IMPORTED in the Charming Betty, Alex. Wedderburn *from* London, *and to be sold by* Isaac Holmes *in* Broad street, *ozenbrigs*, 3 4*th*, 7 8*th and yard wide garlix, tarrem rolland, cambricks, nails and locks of all sorts, Rice sieves, women's staff, damask, callimanco and leather shoes, boys and girls leather shoes, gloves of all sorts, tread cittes and* German *serges and trimmings, cotton romals, callicoes, shott and bullets.*

TO BE SOLD, for One Year's Credit, or a longer Time, if desired, a Plantation 8 Miles distant from *Charles-Town*, containing about 190 Acres of Land, together with a parcel of valuable Slaves, fit for the House or Plantation Business, most of them born in this Country. Any Person who has a mind to purchase may enquire of

Benjamin Whitaker.

JUST *imported in the* Ann, John Bolton *Master, from* New-York, *best* Europ *Flour, white and Ship Bread, and to be sold by* John Dart *at his Store in* Tradd-street.

HIS Majesty's Ship the TARTER being order'd Home, all Persons are desired to bring in their Accounts and settle whatever Business they have, (before the Ship comes from *Halifax*) with

George Townshend.

TO *be sold at publick Vendue on Thursday the* 7*th of* October *next, at the House late of* John Brand, *deceas'd, all the real and personal Estate of the said* Brand, *for ready Money only, by* Peter Jeyes.

N B *All Bonds and Notes that are not discharged will be put in Suit immediately after the Sale*

ON Monday the 14th Instant, ran away, from on board the Sloop *Mary*, with a Canoe 21 Feet long & 4 Feet wide, a *Spaniard*, of a swarthy Complexion and 5 Feet high; and a young Negro Boy, of a thin Visage, they are some of those lately taken by the Hon. Capt. *George Townshend* in his Majesty's Ship the *Tartar*. Whoever takes up the said Canoe and *Spaniards*, and brings them to me in *Charles-Town* shall have 20 *l.* reward, or 10 *l.* for the Canoe from

William Randall.

JUST *imported from* New-York, *in the* Ann, *Capt.* Bolton, *and to be sold by Mess.* Schermerhorn *and* Johnston *on the Bay, good* Europ *Flour, brown, middling, milk and water Bread, all very reasonable.*

GOOD white, blue and green Negro Cloth, and strip'd Duffils, just imported, and to be sold by

Nicholson, Shulerick, & Comp.

WHEREAS *it is become absolutely neceſſary to call in the Money due to Meſſrs.* Anthony Matthewes, & Comp. *Theſe are to deſire all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Company to prepare immediately to diſcharge their reſpective Debts due to the ſame. And as nothing but the moſt urgent Neceſſity could prevail upon the ſaid Company to call in their Money at this Time*, it is hoped, *That no Perſon will in any ſort fail at complying with this Requeſt, or take it amiſs if their Bonds ſhould be put in Suit in caſe of their Failure therein*

By Order of the ſaid Company,

James Oſmond.

WHEREAS a ſmall Number of Promiſſory Notes for Money, ſigned *John Fenwicke, Joſeph Boone, Paul Jenys.* and *Othniel Beale*, alternately, payable to and indorſed *Thomas Lamboll*, are yet outſtanding; the Perſons poſſeſſed of them having neglected to bring them to be paid.

Theſe are therefore to give Notice to and requeſt all People having any of the ſaid Notes to bring or ſend them to any of the above named ſurviving Perſons, who have been, and are ready to pay them *on Sight.*

ON Wedneſday the 7th Day of *October* next, at 10 o'Clock in the Morning, will be held at at Mr *Jacob Woolford*, a Quarterly Meeting of the *South-Carolina Society*, at which Time every Member is deſired to attend, in order to ſettle ſome Affairs of Conſequence.

By Order of the Society.

John Cordes, Secr.

JUST imported in the *Charming Betty*, Capt. *Wedderburn*, and to be ſold by *Steel* & *Hume*, at the loweſt Rates, *viz.* a good aſſortment of ſuper fine broad cloth and drabs, ready made cloaths, green and blue plains, duffils, whitneys, ſtrip'd and white flannels, bed blankets and quilts, mens, womens and childrens cotton, thread and woollen hoſe, paints of moſt kinds, with linſeed and Florence oyls, *Daffey's* and *Squire's* Elixir, a good aſſortment of Drugs, fine *Hyſon* Tea, ſingle and double refin'd Sugar, Currans and Raiſins, Spices of all ſorts, Confections, Rice ſieves, ſcarlet Cloaks and Manteelets, black Velver, black and red ſnail, velvet caps and hoods, china, glaſs and earthen ware, fine painted Dutch tails, check'd ſhirts, ſcotch thread, and variety of other Goods proper for the Seaſon too tedious to mention.

IMPORTED in the *Charming Betty*, Capt. *Wedderburn*, and to be ſold by *William Weedrop*, a large aſſortment of iron ware, fowling pieces, piſtols and variety of cutlary ware, teleſcopes, walking canes, umbrelloes, necklaces, girdle buckles, ſleeve buttons, ſet ſilver, ſundry ſorts of hard ware, mens and boys ſhoes and pumps, womens and girls ſilk, callimanco and black leather ſhoes, with ſeveral other Goods proper for the Seaſon.

ANY Perſon inclinable to purchaſe a large good deck'd Pettiauger, that will carry 100 Barrels of Rice under her Deck, with good Sails, Anchors and Cables, and other Neceſſaries well found. Whoever has a mind to purchaſe the ſaid Pettiauger, may have one Year's Credit, giving good Security and paying Intereſt from the Time of Purchaſe, alſo a young Negro Fellow about 18 Years of Age, to be ſold by *Richard Beddicott.*

TWO indented Servant Women to be diſpoſed of by *Matthew Peacock.*

JOHN PAUL GRIMKE Jeweller, is removed from Mr. *Pateshell's* to the Houſe wherein Mr. *William Buttler* lived in *Tradd ſtreet*, next Door to Meſſrs. *Read, Evance* & Comp. where he intends to work in Jeweller's Work as before: He has likewiſe juſt imported in Capt. *Wedderburn* from *London*, a freſh aſſortment of Brilliant and Roſe Diamonds, Rubies, Emeralds, Saphirs, Jacints, Topaz's, Amethiſts, Turky Stones, Garnets, and ſome ready made Rings. He has alſo ſome Rooms to let.

NB Loſt in or near *Tradd ſtreet* by the ſaid *J P Grimke*, a pair of Diamond Scales: Whoever brings it to him ſhall have 40 *ſh.* reward.

IMPORTED *in the* Charming Betty, *Capt.* Wedderburn *from* London, *and to be ſold at reaſonable Rates by* George Seaman *at his Store on the Bay, variety of Goods proper for the Seaſon.*

RICHARD WEBB from *England*, gives Notice, that he makes all ſorts of Carts and Cart-Wheels, Waggons, Coach and Chair Wheels, Wheel-Barrows, and all other ſorts of Work belonging to the Trade of a Wheel wright, at the uſual Prices: He lives at the Houſe oppoſite Doct. *Jacob Martin's*, and near Mr. *Joſeph Fidler's* in *King-ſtreet.*

TO BE SOLD on Charles-Town *Neck, about a Mile out of Town, a Tract of Land adjoining to Mr.* William Smith, *and fronting the broad Path. Whoever has a mind to purchaſe the ſame may treat with*

Richard Shubrick.

THE *Plantation whereon Doct.* Martini *now lives, on* Gooſe-Creek *Road, and about 9 Miles from* Charles-Town, *is to be ſold, with a good large Dwelling Houſe, Kitchen, Waſh houſe, Store houſe, Milk houſe, Poultry houſe, an Overſeer's Houſe, and a large Barn, all entirely new, a very good Garden and Orchard, containing all ſorts of Fruit Trees,* &c. *Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe the ſame, may treat with me on the Spot, and have long Credit given, paying Intereſt from the Day of Agreement, and giving ſuch Security as ſhall be required by*

John Martini.

RUn away about the 16th of *July* laſt, from *James St. John*, a Negro Carpenter named *Limas.* Whoever takes him up and brings him to his Maſter ſhall have 10 *l* reward. And if any Perſon harbours, entertains or employs him, may depend on being proſecuted. Alſo another Negro Man named *Greenwich*, run away from the ſaid *St. John's* Plantation at *Penſon*; he was ſeen at Work in Town laſt Saturday, at the Houſe of one Mr. *Oliver* Whoever brings him to his Maſter in *Charles Town*, ſhall be very well rewarded.

TO BE SOLD a valuable Plantation on *Santee*, containing 1000 Acres, 500 of which high Land and old purchaſe, the greateſt part very good Corn Land; the other 500 extraordinary Swamp for Rice, the ſaid Plantation fronts the River, and is extremely well water'd, having a fine Spring within 40 Yards from the Houſe, and ſeveral others within the clear Land: There is alſo a good two ſtory Cyprus Dwelling Houſe, a Kitchen and other convenient Out-Houſes thereon. Whoever inclines to purchaſe, may treat with me on the ſaid Plantation, or Mr. *Wm Greenland* at *Wampee*,

Abraham Crouch.

NB. Any Perſon inclining to purchaſe it ſoon, may have it with (or without) a very good Crop of Corn and Rice, 50 Head of Cattle, and a good quantity of Hogs thereon.

JUST IMPORTED in the Charming Betty, *Capt.* Alex. Wedderburn *from* London, *and to be ſold at* Nickleton, Shubrick, *&* Comp. *Store on the Bay. white, and ſtrip'd flannels, worſted ſhalloons, ſtuff and worſted damaſks, callimancoes, floretta's, double and ſingle refin'd ſugars, 3 4th and 7 8th garlix, gun powder and ſhot, with ſundry other goods ſuitable to the Seaſon.*

BRought to the Work-Houſe in Charleſtown, Wedneſday the 1ſt of *July*. *Jack*, a Negro Fellow, ſays he belongs to Capt. *Thomas* now at *Georgia*, has on a blue Watch Coat, taken up by the Watch in *Charleſtown.*

Friday, the 31ſt of *July*. *Jack*, a Run-away Negro Fellow, ſays he belongs to one *Smith* in the Country, has on a white Negro Cloth Cap, Jacket and Breeches, taken up by a Negro Fellow belonging to Mr. *Thomas Elliott.*

Wedneſday *Aug.* the 19th. *Paul Snyſer*, a Run away indented ſervant Man, ſays he belongs to Coll. *Alex. Vander Duſſen*, taken up by Mr. *Jeremiah Learoſt* at *New Windſor.*

Monday the 24th of *Auguſt*. A run-away Negro Man, and Woman, who ſay they belong to one *John Haynes*; taken up by *John Serjeant*, Eleven Miles Southweſtward of *Dorcheſter.*

Tueſday the 25th of *Auguſt*. *Jemmy*, a run-away Negro Fellow, has on a Negro Cloth Jacket and Cap, and ſays he belongs to Mr. *Peter Villepontoux*; taken up by *Benjamin Neal.*

Wedneſday the 26th of *Auguſt*. *Marquis*, a tall run-away Negro Fellow, ſays he belongs to Mrs. *Dry*, but was left under the Care of the Honourable Col. *Bladen.*

IMPORTED this Week, in Capt. *Wedderburn*, and will be ſold cheap by *Simmons, Smith*, & Comp. a large Quantity of white, blue and green NEGRO CLOTH, ſtrip'd and plain DUFFILS, STROUDS, OZNABRIG, CALLICOE, CHINTZ, &c. with a large Aſſortment of other Goods.

RUN away on the 3d Inſtant, from *Thomas Weaver* of *Charles Town* Carpenter, an *Iriſh* Apprentice Lad, named *Andrew M'Clenning*, had on when he went away a blue grey Duroy Coat. Whoever takes him up and brings him to his ſaid Maſter, ſhall have 5 l. reward and all reaſonable Charges. And whoever harbours, entertains or employs him may depend on being proſecuted with the utmoſt Severity.

ONE Tract of Land (in St. *John's* Pariſh) at Wampee, containing 400 Acres of good Rice and Corn Land, joining that formerly belonging to Mr. *Reſque* is to be ſold: Alſo another Tract, containing 200 Acres of good Rice and Corn Land, whereof 50 Acres is clear'd, and joins Mr. *Joſeph Hanford's* Land. Whoever has a mind to purchaſe may treat with *Thomas Elmes* at *Aſhley-River*, or *Samuel Elmes* at *Penpen* near *Parker's* Ferry.

TO BE SOLD *a publick Auction on Tueſday the 22d Day of this Inſtant* September, *at the* Watch-Houſe *in* Charles Town, 400 *Acres of Land in* Chriſt-Church *Pariſh. Credit will be given for a Year allowing Intereſt from the Day of Sale, and giving Security if required.*

David Arnett.

STRAY'D out of a Paſture up the Path, a black Horſe about 14 Hands high, no white on him, brand-ed on the mounting Shoulder H G and on the mounting Buttock G Y C, is a hard Trotter, and has a long deck'd Tail. Whoever takes up and delivers the ſaid Horſe to Doct. Davieſon at Dorcheſter, Charles Lyon Store-keeper at Gooſe Creek, or Charles Shepheard Vintner in Charles-Town, ſhall be ſufficiently rewarded.

TAKEN up a brown Bay Mare, branded on the Ribbs as thus like 20, and on the mounting Shoulder as thus like unto a Horſe ſhoe, being ſtrayed away from me, and has ſound Intelligence of her in the Poſſeſſion of Thomas Hails Dweller in Iriſh Town.

JUST IMPORTED in Capt. Wedderburn, *and to be ſold by* John Watſone, *ready made cloaths*, German *ſerges, ſagathies, cut tobacco, ſtarch, citron, window glaſs, vermillion, white and red lead, linſeed oyl, tin ware, gilt trunks, flowers of muſtard, loaf ſugar, currans, raiſins and ſpices*, Jamaica *pepper, corks, fig blue*, Florence *oyl, pickles, ſilk and linnen handkerchiefs, callimancoes, floor cloths, feather beds, blank books, writing paper and other ſtationary, great variety of drugs, ſewing ſilks, and other ſorts of haberdaſhery, mens and womens gloves, variety of cutlary*, &c.

JUST IMPORTED in the *Charming Betty*, from *London*, Duffils and bed blankets, *Welch* plains, *German* ſerges, ſuper fine broad cloth, white and ſtriped flannels, good feathers and bed ticks, all ſorts of ſhoes, worſted, ſilk and fine cotton hoſe, black velvet and ſnail, allapines, bombazines, *Norwich* and hat crape, ſilk damask, taffaties and lutеſtring, ſcarlet cloaks and manteelets, fine *Flanders* lace, check'd linnen and oznabrigs, variety of worſted damasks, callimancoes and ſtuffs, ſilver coffee potts and ſalvers, ſilver and gold watches, ſheeting and other hollands, fine cambricks and cambrick-holland, garlix chints, callicoes, corded dimities, cotton counterpains, ſingle and double refin'd ſugar, fine green and bohea tea, ſpices, china, iron ware, ſtationary, cutlery and haberdaſhery, ſcotch ſnuff, gloves, ſtays, hoops, fig blue and muſtard flower, with great variety of other goods to be ſold very reaſonable by *William Stone*, who is removed to his Store on the Bay.

IMPORTED in the Magdalena, *from* Hamburgh, *and to be ſold by* Thomas Evatt *at his Store at* Alex. Watſon's *in* Church-ſtreet, (*he intending to leave this Province in a few Days*) *very cheap, linnens fine and coarſe, ſtrip'd cottons, dimities of all ſorts, broad cloth, brown hollands, damaſk and diaper table cloths and napkins, checks, oznabrigs, great variety of glaſs ware, caſes for liquors of different ſizes, and a large aſſortment of other Goods.*

JUST IMPORTED in the *Charming Betty*, *Alexander Wedderburn* Commander, from *London*, and to be ſold very reaſonably by *Henry & Alex. Peronneau* the following Goods, *viz.* ſmall ſhot, dreſſing glaſſes, neſt ſealing wax, waſers, powder flaſks, cartouch boxes, pewter ſtandiſhes, mens hunting ſaddles, womens blue and green cloth ditto, bridles, tans, paduſoys, ribbands, hoop petticoats, womens velvet hoods, ditto riding caps, ſcarlet and other thread, mens high top'd tann'd glovers, dotch quills, mens and boys fine hats, womens ſcarlet cloaks, ditto manteelets, mens great coats, waſtcoats, &c. oznabrigs, 3 4th and yard wide garlix, nuns hollands, cloaking diaper, ſheeting linnen, callimanco ſhoes, boys and girls leather ditto, plate ſtock locks, pit ſaws, croſs cut ditto, ſmith's beſt hand ditto, cooper's axes, adzes, &c. *Watts* pſalm books, ditto ſermons, *Burkit* on the new teſtament, large bibles, common prayer books, *Taylor's* holy living and dying, *Addiſon's* Evidences, and ſundry other books and Things too tedious to enumerate.

N B. Alſo *Barbados* Rum and Sugar.

TO BE SOLD by *William Yeomans* at very low Rates, the following Goods, (being what belongs to ſaid *Yeomans* and *Gabriel Eſcott*, decens'd; Negro cloth, ſtrip'd duffils, ſtrouds, gun powder, bullets and ſhot, nails of all ſorts, double refin'd loaf ſugar, green and bohea tea, mens ſaddles, felt and caſtor hats, black taffeties and other ſilks, 7 8th garlix, 3 4th & 7 8th dowlas, platilloes, white Ruſſia linnen, gulix holland, double ſileſias, blue linnen, pencil printed linnen new faſhion, long cambricks, table linnen, thread and worſted ſtockings, worſted caps, Riſſieves, fine and coarſe of very good ſorts) at 4 l. a pair, or 40 s per ſieve; with ſeveral other Goods (all in proportion in price and goodneſs). Alſo good *Barbados* Rum and Muſcovado Sugar.

All Perſons who have any Accounts depending with ſaid *Yeomans & Eſcott*, are deſired to ſettle them with *William Yeomans*, by the firſt Day of *November* next; the Death of Mr. *Eſcott* makes it abſolutely neceſſary to hope none will neglect it: Any Perſon that hath any Demands on the Eſtate of *Gabriel Eſcott*, deceaſed, let the Accounts be brot in properly atteſted, they ſhall be diſcharged by *William Yeomans*, Adminiſtrator to the ſaid Eſtate.

JUST IMPORTED in the Charming Betty, *Capt.* Wedderburn *from* London, *Gulix, Tandem, Nan and Bag Hollands, Cambricks and piſtol Lawns, Garlix, Cravats, Checks and Scotch Linnen of all ſorts, Calicoes, Chintz, cotton Romall, Baſtiaes, Hamkums*, India *Limas, cotton Counterpains, Seerſuckers, Diaper Table Cloths, cheating Diaper*, Ruſſia *and* Holland *Duck and* Ruſſia *Linnen, ſtrip'd and plain Callimancoes, worſted Damasks, Tammies, Grograms, Camblets, Flotbines, Allapines, Bombazines*, Norwich *and Hat band Crapes, Alamodes, Sarſnets, ſtrip'd and plain Mantuas*, Engliſh *and* India *Damasks, Paduſoys and Taffeta, Velleurs*, Dutch *and* Genoa *Velvets, variety of Gold and Silver Laces and Buttons, Silver Watches, Spurrs, Mens and Womens Shoe Buckles, Tea Spoons*, &c. *In ſetts, Caſes of Silver handle Knives and Forks, variety of Silver hilted Swords and Cutlaſſes, Silver Thimbles*, &c *Edgings, Child-bed Baskets, black Velvet Caps and Hoods, Velvet Manteels and Stays with all other ſorts of Millinary Wares, all ſorts of Mens, Womens and Childrens thread and cotton, ſilk and worſted Stockings, Mens and Boys Hatts and Women's black Hatts, Guns, Piſtols, tortoiſe ſhell Boxes and Powder Flasks, Pickles of all ſorts, Gloves, variety of Pictures, Locks*, &c. *Neſts of oyls Trunks and Chairs, ſingle and double refin'd Sugar, green and bohea Tea, Spices, Currans and Raiſins, white Lead and linſeed Oyl, with all Colours for painting, window Glaſs, Nails of all ſorts, Mattreſſes and feather Beds, gun Powder and Bullets, Indian trading Guns, Vermillion, narrow and broad bordyed Cadice, Garters, with great variety of other Goods too tedious here to mention, and to be ſold as reaſonable as poſſible by* Crokatt & Michie.

ON the 27th of *Auguſt* was ſtolen out of the Subſcriber's Houſe on Elliott's Wharff, a blue broad Cloth Coat, trimm'd with Silver Buttons and lined with blue Silk, the skirts of the Lining ſtained with the ſweat of a Horſe. Whoever gives ſuch Intelligence of the Thief that he may be taken up, and will bring me the ſaid Coat, ſhall receive 4 l. reward from *Francis Gatlin.*

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POSTSCRIPT

——— ——— ——— *Nam quis inepti*
Tam patiens Scripti, *tam ferreus ut teneat se?* Juv.

Beware what Spirit *rages in your Breast,*
For one inspir'd, *ten thousand are* possest. ROSCOM.

LUCIAN tells us that the People of *Abdera*, on seeing the *Andromeda* of *Archelaus*, * represented in a hot Day, in full Theater, contracted a feverish Phrensy, with so odd a Crisis, that every one set up for a Deliverer of the distressed *Damsel*, and, nothing was seen or heard all Summer long, but buskin'd Heroes roaring out their *Jambics* from one End of the Town to the other. Much such a Distemper hath of late reign'd among us, for since the great MOCK-PREACHER, under the Guise of an Ambassador extraordinary from Heaven, hath mounted the *Rostrum*, and like a *Son of Thunder* vented his Dreams and his Ravings for a *new Light* and a *new Revelation*; 'so charmed were the People 'with his Manner of Address, that shutting up *their Shops*, for-'getting their secular Business, and laying aside their Schemes 'for the World' † they crowded after him every time he *showed away* with a *keener* Edge, 'till the greater part returning home were stricken with this Malady, and did nothing but repeat the tragical Bombast and Gesticulations of this *strolling Prophet*, whose *Actings* had made such a deep Impression on their Noddles. The same Writer adds, that his Country-men after the *Armenian* Overthrow, and their Conquests over the *Barbarians* run mad; one great Symptom of which was, that they could not forbear writing *Histories*, but such pitiful, paultry, abject Stuff as would make a Man sleep while he was standing; and so absurd were those new Writers, that instead of a plain and faithful Narration of Facts, they only *censured* or *flattered* their Commanders; thus instead of *Histories* they composed only *Satyrs* or *Panegyricks*, never considering the great Difference between them, for *He that praises, does it to please and never has any Eye to Truth*; the Contrary of which is the essential Character of a good Historian. Thus far that elegant and facetious Author, with whom the Parallel will still farther hold; for with us both the *Docti* and *Indocti*, those who could spell, and those who could not, have been seized with the same Phrensy for Scribbling, and the Press was teem'd with Panegyricks and *lying Histories* ‡ of the Exploits and Adventures of the most renowned FANATIC-ERRANT DON *GEORGIO WHITEFIELDIO*, High-Priest of the ÆOLISTS; with this additional Likeness, that the dear dear *Idol* hath been extolled and compared to an Apostle, to *St. Paul*, to a *Seraph*, to an Angel of *God*, nay to the *Son* of *God* himself; while all, who remained in their sober Senses and view'd with Regret and Indignation, the Farce and Delusions of this *Saint errantry*, have been censured and condemned as carnal and unregenerate Reasoners, as Men of no Character, as Fighters against *God* and spightful Opposers of his Work.

But, as the compass of this Paper will not suffer me to animadvert on all the low, fulsome Panegyrick bestowed on this *Brain-sick Prophet*, I shall confine myself chiefly to Two extraordinary Performances of this sort, namely the Character, Preaching, &c. of Mr. *Whitefield* by *Josiah Smith, V. D. M.* and a Postscript to the *Gazette*, signed *Isaac the Second*; for as Falcons do not prey upon Flies, nor Kites upon Caterpillars, so shall I bestow no other Censure on a certain Preachment of one *Isaac Chanler*, than two Lines out of the *Dunciad* upon *Durgen*,

Sense, Speech and Learning, living Tongues and dead,
Let all give way — and Chanler *may be read.*

As to Mr *S*'s Panegyrick I shall remark only on that Part of it, where he opines 'Mr. *Whitefield* to be a *skilled Preacher*, a great Master of Pulpit Oratory and Elocution, 'and that a noble Negligence runs thro' his Stile.' ‖ Now if we consider the true Import and Meaning of this fine Compliment, we shall find it is absolute Flattery and in no Sense true or applicable to this *Stage Declaimer*. For I apprehend that to be the *First*, a Man must gain a thorough Acquaintance with the whole Body of *Divinity* and sacred *Scriptures*, that is, he must accurately understand the Original Languages of the Bible, its several Idioms, and those of every particular Writer, the Manners, and Customs and Opinions of the People to whom the several Parts were directed. These are necessary Helps to a right Interpretation of Scripture, and without these whoever pretends to explain or criticise upon the Scriptures is a Fool. Now I appeal to all Men of Learning or Judgment, whether in all his *Preachments* and *Expoundings* he ever made Use of, or had any Reliance on these necessary Assistances, and did not run into a dry Pursuit of *Allegory* and *spiritualising* every Thing. As to any great Knowledge he can boast of in the several *Systems* of *Divinity* extant, the ingenious *Querists* have shewn his Ignorance and Inconsistency even in that absurd System of modern Divinity which he has undertaken to propagate and defend. And as a farther Instance of this *Apostle's* Talent at clear, strict and consequential Reasoning, it is notorious, that in one of his Harangues in this Mr. *Smith's Pulpit* on his favourite Topick of *Election*, in the Morning he wavered and left his Audience in Doubt, whether he was in the *Supralapsarian* or *Sub-lapsarian* Scheme; when behold! in the Afternoon he avowed the latter, and, *acute Reasoner*! defended it by *Supralapsarian* Arguments. Farther, since there is no doubt but *judicious Thoughts* and *sound Reasoning* do the Work of an *Orator* and certainly convince the *Understanding* more than any Thing in the World; we may well conclude that his Qualifications for *Pulpit Oratory* would justly recommend him as a *strolling Player*, for which *Nature* seems to have design'd him, and that his *Passion* and his *Flame* and his *Sound* and his *Thunder* exactly quadrate with the Rage of an *Almanzor* and the Rants of a *Maximine*. And that this Creature's whole Merit is founded on *vocal Energy*, a judicious Observation of Father *Rapin* in his excellent Criticism on the *Eloquence* of the *Pulpit* may convince us, when he says, 'Ce n'est pas toujours la Raison qui frappe 'les Esprits grossiers et qui les fait agir: Souvent ils ne l'entendent pas: C'est l'Emotion et l'Ardeur avec laquelle on parle, 'c'est le BRUIT qu'on fait.' * That is, 'Tis not always Reason that strikes upon gross Apprehensions, and stirs them up to Action; for this they cannot always hear and understand, but 'tis the Warmth and Passion of the Speaker: 'Tis the Noise and outward Force that usually makes the Impression; nor do the things spoken operate so strongly, as the Manner of speaking them, because this Manner is obvious to the Senses, whereas the Things themselves are not: And therefore the People very often judge of a Man's Arguments by the Tone of his Voice. He that speaks the loudest and strongest is commonly Master of their Belief, and they are less sway'd by his Reason, than personal Authority; because their Mind is seldom wrought upon by any Thing, but that which works most forcibly upon their Sense.

This Remark of *Rapin's* is confirmed by our *Panegyrist* himself, for the only Proof he brings to establish his particular *Opinion* is not drawn from any one Authority in the Art of speaking or writing, but from the *Applause* of the *Multitude*; now does this same *Multitude* usually know wherein Oratory, Strength of Speech, the Art of Persuasion, &c. consist, and is it not therefore Vanity in such to pretend to be Judges of 'em? especially when we consider, that they generally fall into the falsest and lowest Taste imaginable. *Ælian* in his various History † records an apposite Story of one *Hippomachus* a Piper, who, when one of his Scholars was playing, and clapp'd by the Multitude, though *out of Tune*, struck him with his Cane and swore, that he had *piped ill*, or the People would not thus have applauded him. 'As to the noble Negligence of his Stile,'

Tully.

* *Lucian. Not. Variæ* Vol. 1. P. 601. † *Smith's* Character, &c. of *Whitefield*, P. 15. ‡ *Chanler* in his ridiculous *Index expurgatorius* calls all Histories lying Histories. *Ch. Serm.* P. 30. ‖ Rev. Mr. *Smith's* Character, &c. P. 14.

* *Rapin* Reflections sur l'Eloquence, &c. P. 63. † *Ælian* Var. Hist. Lib. 14. Cap. 8.

Tully, the greateſt Orator and the beſt Judge in this Particular the World ever ſaw, till *V.D.M.* made his Appearance in it, wou'd have call'd a Stile ſo turn'd upſide down, *Infantia*, and ſuch a Writer, as he did one in his own Time, *Infans et inſipiens Homo.* * However he has this Comfort remaining, that he can with great Truth and Juſtice applaud himſelf in the following Words of the ſame great *Writer* on another Occaſion, *Impoſuimus Populo, oratores ejſi fuimus.* † I have had the good Luck to impoſe on the Populace, and by them to have been miſtaken for an *Orator*. And now Reader can you think with this *Encomiaſt*, that St. *Paul* or a *Seraph* from Heaven would ſo *look* and *ſpeak* in a Pulpit; *O Rem ridiculam Cato, et jocoſam!* Wherefore I would adviſe my Friend before he writes any more *Encomiums* on his *Hero*, to read over and over again the Ninth Chapter of *Ariſtotle*'s firſt Book of Rhetorick, where are given very proper Rules and neceſſary to be obſerved, *in praiſing a Man, who has done nothing, for which he ought to be praiſed.* But before we diſmiſs the Subject of Stile, a Word or two concerning the *Acts* and *Epiſtles* of this modern *Apoſtle*, the exact Model of a *Sailor*'s or a *Suttler*'s Journal: Pray what do theſe wonderful Works contain? A Rhapſody of his Wants and his Weakneſſes, his *Feelings* and his *Meltings*, his proud Boaſtings of Gifts and Commiſſions from *Heaven*, his Drams and other carnal Comforts from the *good Women* below, beſides his other neceſſary Occaſions, and all theſe tagged with ſome pious Ejaculation: Add to this, his fulſome Flattery of all who paid Incenſe to his *Saintſhip*; and lying ſlanderous Abuſe of all who derided or oppoſed his Grimace and Hypocriſy: And if we may judge of the ſeveral Miniſters of the Goſpel in the other Colonies he has paſſed through from his Character of thoſe in this, where among the ſeveral Miniſters of different Denominations remarkable for their Sobriety, good Senſe and Learning he has recorded but two *gracious Ones*, namely a Reverend *Carpenter* and a Reverend *Taylor*, it would give us a very favourable Idea of them no doubt. Such Memoirs as theſe, is a Treaſure we could never enough regret, if they had been loſt! But, as they may poſſibly ſurvive for ſome Time through the Zeal of his blind Admirers, we may bundle-up all his *learned Lucubrations*, together with all the paultry and nauſeous *Stuff* that has been labour'd to his Praiſe, and make the ſame Uſe and Application of them as *Catullus* did of *Voluſius*,

Annales Voluſi, *cacata charta.*

Some haply may think this too low and contemptible, tho' a very neceſſary Service, and I had therefore Thoughts of recommending 'em to the *Bakers*, but recollecting the Story of *Tom Durfey*'s Works, was afraid they might prove greatly injurious: The Story as I have read it is this; that *Kitcat*'s *Mutton Pies* were ordered to be baked with *Durfey*'s Works under 'em, by the Founder of the Club; and that upon their complaining the Pies were never baked enough, *Chriſtopher Kat*, the Paſtry-Cook, ſwore, *Durfey's Works were ſo cold the Dough could not bake for them.* But, let this Matter go as it will, I cannot take Leave of our *Panegyriſt*, and deny my Reader the Pleaſure of an agreeable *Contraſt* between *Agrippa*, as Mr. *Foſter* is *invidiouſly* called by theſe *Saints*, and their *Mock-St. Paul*, Mr. *Whitefield*. Let us imagine the one mounted on a *Waggon* upon *Kennington-Common*, ſurrounded by a Crowd of Porters, Butchers and Carmen, by the Beggarly and the Idle, the Looſe and the Lazy of both Sexes, and pouring forth his dark, myſterious and unintelligible *Jargon*, with all the *Rant* of an *Enthuſiaſt*, as the immediate Suggeſtions and Impulſes of the *Spirit*, while the Ignorant Rabble *ſigh* and *groan* univerſal Applauſe. Then let us view the other in a *City Pulpit* commanding the Attention of the fineſt Speakers in both *Houſes* of *Parliament*, the wiſe and the good among the three *learned* Profeſſions, and a large Circle of Gentlemen and Ladies of diſtinguiſhed Taſte and good Senſe: Let us view the other, I ſay, commanding the Attention of ſo judicious, ſo polite and honourable an Aſſembly, and captivating their Paſſions and Underſtandings to a Love of *Truth*, *Virtue* and *Religion* with the Force of nervous Senſe, clear and manly Reaſoning, dreſs'd in all the Charms of Eloquence, and delivered with the proper Riſings and Fallings of a melodious Voice, and a Decorum of Geſture that is inimitable. And now let us heſitate, if we can, where to aſſign the Palm of *Oratory*, and *Pulpit-Eloquence*, and confeſs the Juſtice of the following *Eulogies*,

Let humble Foſter, *if he will, excell*
Ten Metropolitans in preaching well.
— Pope's 173[illegible]

If honeſt Foſter *Virtue's Laws enforce*
ALL give Attention to the warm Diſcourſe.
Art of Preaching

I now proceed to *Zealot* the *Second*, the moſt *dull, ſenſeleſs* and *dirty Scribbler*, that ever ſet Pen to Paper, alſo for this very Performance he is cried up and admired as the greateſt *Wit* and fineſt *Writer* of the *Party*. As I have hitherto been a *Mute* in this *Tragi-Comical Farce*, it is very probable I ſhould ſtill have remained ſo, had I not been provoked to break Silence, on ſeeing ſo much *ſcandalous Abuſe* thrown upon a Gentleman, who muſt be loved and eſteemed, by all who have the Pleaſure of his Acquaintance, if Beneficence and Good-Nature, and the Reſt of thoſe lovely Vertues that incline us to do Good to our Fellow Creatures, can claim any Share of Merit or Regard: True this Gentleman looks upon the little, dirty Creature with a ſovereign Contempt and Diſdain, and ſtands in no need of ſuch an Auxiliary as *his humble Servant*; but a Man cannot help running in when he ſees his Friend aſſaulted by *Ruffians* and *Banditti*. This *illiterate Scribbler* pretends to be a *Satyriſt* with no other Talents, than invulnerable Aſſurance and clumſy Malice; as he ſets-up for a *Teacher* with no other Qualifications, than the *Gifts* of Incoherence and the *Graces* of Hypocriſy; but let me tell this *Dunce out of his Element*, that *Satyr* never attacks the Character and Reputation of any Man; this is the Province of *Scandal* and *Defamation*, between which and Satyr, there is as wide a Difference, as between the Primitive Chriſtians and our modern *New-light-Men*. After this *Zoilus* has upbraided *Philanthropos* with want of *Genius* and Poverty of Underſtanding, he falls foul on his *Character*, and tells him it does not grow quite ſo faſt as his *Belly*; how poignant the Wit! and how genteel is the Raillery! What Fine it is, Nature had not beſtowed a Load of Corpulency upon this *Animalculum* of a Scribbler, then ſhould we have had the very Image of Sir *John Falſtaff* himſelf as drawn by *Shakeſpear*, whoſe chief Characteriſticks were *bragging, lying* and *Impudence*. A ſtrong Proof of his Claim to this latter Excellency is his delighting to call *Philanthropos* a low Writer, and one of a *low* Stature in Underſtanding: One might be merry eno' in commenting on his Choice of this Epithet, for how adequate ſoever it may be to his own *Wit*, I will do him the Juſtice to ſay, it is by no Means applicable to his *Mind*. Witneſs his Harangue in the Pulpit over his good *old Paſtor* and *ſpiritual Father*, who with his venerable *Grey-hairs* ſat doing *Penance* below, for having prophecied what hath ſince come to paſs: Add to this, his Flouts upon CHARITY, that *it thinketh no Evil and is not ſoon angry*, which are not made without Reaſon, conſidering he has ſhut-out a *Siſter* from *Communion* for ſome Years paſt, becauſe, forſooth, ſhe called this *Reverend Sir*, on a juſt Provocation, Mr. *Sanctity!* this is a Secret he and I know, if no Body elſe does. But ſince his Character and Conduct as a *Paſtor* with the Hiſtory and Miſtery of his dividing and fleecing the *Sheep* will ſoon be publiſhed, I ſhall ſay no more on that Head; only adverti[illegible] the Reader that he has threaten'd a Vindication of himſelf in his great *Work* lately gone to the *Preſs*; Bleſs us! A *Folio Syſtem of Divinity* by the Reverend Dr. *Chip*! What a Work wou'd that be! for his *Republick of Letters* in the Land of *Bantu*!

Come on, ye Criticks, find *one Fault* who dare,
For read it backwards, like a Witches Prayer,
'Twill do as well — —— —— *Earl of* Dorſet.

Stand clear ye *Tillotſons* and ye *Clarkes*! Ye *Whitbys* and ye *Foſters*! For *Jack-ſtraw* is going to turn *Jack the Giant-Killer*!

But to return; the Reader will I hope excuſe this digreſſive way of Writing; the great Mr. *Bayle* wittily compares the anſwering ſuch an immethodical Writer, as this, to the Hunting a *Duck*, when you think you have him, he *dives*: This *Brawler* gibes the Gentleman for ſecuring his ECCLESIASTICK in his good Senſe, *Virtue*, and *Religion*; a *rational* Religion I ſuppoſe, quo' he, (yes I ſuppoſe ſo too, becauſe this ſame ECCLESIASTICK is a *learned* and a *rational* Man; whereas this *Animal* gives his Maker juſt ſuch a *reaſonable Service* as all his *Brother-Animals* do!) then civilly queſtions not, his having a good round Fee for the *Panegyrick*. Excellent Manners and good Nature! As if a Gentleman of a large and generous Mind could not beſtow on his Friend due and well merited Praiſe, without

* *Cicero de Fin.* † *Cic. in Brut.*

any sordid or sinister View; because this *lely Drone*, forsooth, hath left his lawful *Calling* for one, that appeared to him both more *lazy* and more *lucrative*!

It is pleasant eno' to hear the terrible Outcry these Creatures make against *Reason* and a *rational Religion*; for as none but rational Creatures are capable of Religion, so there is no true Religion but in the Use of Reason; there will be always these two Things in the former which the latter must judge of, namely the *Truth* and the *Meaning*. The Vertue of our Religion must consist in the inward Persuasion of our Mind, for if we owe our Religion to Birth, Humour, Interest or any external Circumstance or Motive whatever, we bring all Religions upon a Level; and tho' by the Happiness of Education we should profess the true Religion, yet if we do not make it our own, by Understanding the Reasons of it, it will not be profitable to us, we offer to God, the *Sacrifice of Fools*, in which he has no Pleasure. The immortal Mr. *Locke* in his excellent Chapter on *Enthusiasm*, says, § 4. 'Reason is natural Revelation, 'whereby the eternal Father of Light, and Fountain of 'all Knowledge communicates to Mankind that Portion of 'Truth which he has laid within the Reach of their natu'ral Faculties. *Revelation* is natural Reason enlarged by 'a new set of Discoveries communicated by *God* immediate'ly, which Reason vouches the Truth of, by the Testi'mony and Proofs it gives, that they come from *God*. So 'that he that takes away Reason, to make way for *Revela'tion*, puts out the Light of both, and does much what 'the same, as if he would persuade a Man to put out his 'Eyes, the better to receive the remote Light of an invi'sible Star by a Telescope.' And Archbishop *Tillotson* tells us, 'We need not desire a better Evidence that any 'Man is in the Wrong, than to hear him declare against 'Reason, and thereby acknowledge that Reason is against 'him.' And the same great and excellent Author farther says, ¶ 'I have often wondred, that People can with 'Patience endure to hear their Teachers and Guides talk 'against Reason; and not only so, but they pay them a 'greater Submission and Veneration for it. One would 'think this but an odd Way to gain Authority over the 'Minds of Men; but some skilful and designing Men have 'found by Experience, that it is a very good Way to re'commend them to the Ignorant, as Nurses use to endear 'themselves to Children, by perpetual Noise and Non'sence.' Probably these two great Authorities may have the less Weight, as coming from Writers, whom some may esteem carnal and heretical, I shall therefore produce one, from a spiritual and most orthodox Person, who says; * 'tho' *Reason* be not our *Rule itself*, yet as a *Rule* is useless 'without the *Mediation* of the *Eye*, so is *Scripture* without 'the Mediation of *Reason*. Or else the Scripture may be 'a Rule to *Beasts* as well as to *Men*.' This Writer's *Spirituality* may be abundantly evinced by his late Writings, and his *Orthodoxy* is equally clear from the Two following, among several other remarkable Articles of his *Creed*, the first, is, 'He believes God from Eternity elected himself 'and a few of his particular Friends and Acquaintance to 'Life and Salvation, and that *Christ* died for them and 'no others,' † contrary to the express Testimony of 1 *John*, ii. 2. *That* Jesus Christ *the Righteous is the Propitiation for our Sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the* whole World. And of 1 *Timothy*, ii. 6 That, *he gave himself a Ransom for* all. And lastly of *Hebrews*, ii. 9. that, *he tasted Death for* every *Man*. This it is, to affect to be wise above what is written. The second is, that he believes the *Westminster-Confession* to be the best Book in the World next to the *Bible*. ‡ *O Monstrum Horrendum!* A Man of this Make, whatever pretended Aversion he may have to *Subscriptions*, is capable of swallowing *Creeds* by the *Dozen*. But to return, after having grossly abused Reason and a rational Religion, *Zealot* adds, 'With *this* and the *other* 'Gentlemen of *Sense*, a Religion *animated* with the least 'Degree of pious Fervency, with but a Spark of sacred 'Passion is too warm to be *rational*.' Either this is *nonsensical Cant*, or a vainly arrogating to themselves Excellencies, which belong to their Adversaries in a more eminent Degree: Sure I am the Works of those great Men abovenamed, and which are so insolently *damn'd* || by this *Reverend Hottentot*, are wrote with such sober and solid Sense, in such clear, just and manly Language, and in so true a Spirit of Piety and Devotion, that they constantly carry their own Reason and Conviction with them, and must necessarily inflame the Mind, of every serious and intelligent Reader, with the like pious and devout Passions! While the *Holy Cant* and *pious Jargon* of these pretended Zealots can only raise Laughter in the *profane*, and excite the Pity and Indignation of the *wise* and the *learned*. But this is not the first time I have remarked this Vanity and Folly, and I cannot help fancying, but that the Word *animated* is a *Cant-Term* peculiar to a certain *Northern College*, since the reverend and learned Gentleman who *midwifed Chandler*'s Piece into the World, has pronounced it an *animated* Thing, Yes truly, and so is the *Braying* of an *Ass*. Equally ridiculous and absurd is Zealot's Clamour against Blasphemy and Ridicule, when these weak and ignorant *Enthusiasts* have by their *crude and senseless Jargon* deliver'd with a dismal hypocritical *Phiz* and a canting *Tone* of Voice worse than the setting of a *Saw* or the grinding of *Glass*: When these Enthusiasts, I say, have thus wrought upon the ductile and pliant Fancies of the Women, raised the Vapours to the Height, thrown the Spirits into the most violent Confusion, and frightened and terrified the weak and the silly, more especially the *Hysterick*, to a Degree of *Maudlin-Madness*: It is immediately sanctified under the the Title of the *Operations* of the *Spirit* and the *Pangs* of the *New-Birth*; and to laugh at this holy Grimace and Delusion is next to Blasphemy itself. When all the while the *Raillery* is not levelled or directed at the *Things* themselves, properly understood and explained, according to the genuine Sense and Meaning of the sacred Writings, but only at *their* idle and foolish Opinions concerning *them*, directly contrary to the whole Tenor of Scripture, as well as to common Sense, Reason and Experience, and grounded, through their Ignorance and Unskilfulness in Language, on an easy *Metaphor* misinterpreted and mistaken. For, as *Scripture* is the best Expositor of *Scripture*, so shall we find the metaphorical Expressions of a *new Creature* and and of being *born again*, explained by a great variety of Phrases to the same Purpose, 'by Conversion, and turn'ing from our Iniquities unto God; by Resurrection 'from the dead, and rising to newness of Life; by being 'renewed in the Spirit of our Minds; putting off the old 'Man and putting on the new Man, &c.' All which represent and describe that inward Change and Alteration which Christianity makes in us, that thorough Reformation which it works in the Frame and Temper of our Minds; and in the Course and Actions of our Lives, herein the main Intention of the Metaphor is clear, and the Similitude between the proper and figurative Signification of a *new Creature* and a *new Birth* is apparent; therefore, to stretch the Metaphor farther, and to conclude something parallel in the State of a Christian, to every Thing which can properly be affirmed of a *new Birth* or a *new Creature*; is to run upon such wild and absurd Consequences, as any wise Man would be ashamed to own, and any good Man would be afraid to fasten upon the Scriptures. Thus again, to laugh at these *Hypocrites* in the Guise of *Saints*, and to ridicule *Enthusiasm* and *Hypocrisy* under the Cloak of *Religion*, is with this *Creature*, to throw off all Restraints of Religion, and to bring her forth only to scourge and to crucify her: Whereas shou'd a *Tillotson*, a *Clarke* or a *Foster* paint and describe *Religion* in all her genuine and native *Charms*, what Wretch is there so stupid and obdurate as not to be struck with the profoundest Reverence and Admiration of the *awful Beauty*; though he might still cry out with *Medea* in *Ovid*,

——— Video Meliora, proboque
Deteriora sequor. ——— ——— ———

And tho' he shou'd not live the Life, yet won'd be with to die the Death of the Righteous. But this, they'll cry, is all carnal Reasoning, and talking, as their *Idol* says, like the polite Reasoners of this World; as for them, they are above Reason, and despise human Learning and human Attainments, they have their *inward Teachings* and are abundantly filled with all *spiritual Gifts*, they are the *foolish Things* that GOD has chose to confound the *wise*. Now, as for what they boast concerning *inward Teachings* and *spiritual Gifts*; if they mean supernatural Ones, they must excuse us from believing they have any, unless they will work some Miracle to convince us. If they mean the ordinary Gifts and Illuminations of God's holy Spirit; they have certainly never the more of them for *their Boasting*, nor we ever the less for *our Silence*. As to their mighty Triumphs and Rejoicings, that they have the *Humility* and the

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¶ Vol. 1. P. 68, 69. * Vide *Y. Smith*'s No new Thing to be slander'd, P. 19. † Ibid, P. 20. ‡ Ibid, P. 21. || Vide *Chandler*'s Index expurgatorius.